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Friday, August 14, 2015
Daily Update

2. Web (2)

A. Web Updates

1. Assunto uploaded 4 new files and folder from NEW staging server, placed on EPA PUB
2. Assunto uploaded new qa file to EPA PUB

5. Liaisons (9)

A. Inquiries/Responses

1. Coordinating request for former Lt. Gov. Ben Barnes for request to talk to RA Curry.

C. Grants Concurred

2. Martindale Concurrence on Absentee Shawnee Water Quality Monitoring FY 15-16
3. Martindale Concurrence on FY15 TX Clean Water State Revolving Fund

I. Other

4. Assunto reviewed thank you letters to NM officials
5. Assunto wrote new draft for Adm Rep, sent to XA staff for review and comment
6. Assunto wrote This Week in State and Local Government, sent to XA management
7. Drafted and distributed this week in congress.
8. Provided administrators report input.
9. Provided daily input for congressional contacts for Gold King Mine response.

8. Writing/Outreach (2)

1. Weber reviewed "Protect Children Health with EPA School App press release."
2. Weber wrote thank you letters on behalf of the Administrator to local New Mexico officials regarding the Gold King mine.

9. Emergencies (6)

1. Assunto distributed weekend media call advisory to news outlets and special email group
2. Assunto drafted two new media call advisories for Sat and Sun
3. Assunto sent 2 pdfs to congressional members
4. Assunto sent new information re. GKMR to congressional list
5. Assunto worked with David Gray to resolve issues with copying and pasting into emails with the iphone.
6. Assunto worked with HQ for 3 conference calls

11. Today/Upcoming (9)

B. Items of Interest

1. 0818 - On August 18, EPA will finalize the proposed approval of two revisions to the New Mexico State Implementation Plan (SIP) to update the Albuquerque-Bernalillo County Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) SIP permitting program consistent with federal requirements.
2. 0820 - On August 20, pursuant to a consent decree deadline (Deadline is August 30), EPA intends to finalize disapproval of the 1997 8-hour ozone standard for the Dallas-Fort Worth area. DFW air quality has significantly improved over the last decade. EPA revised the 8-hour health-based standard for ozone in 2008. EPA finalized guidelines for the revised standard, including plans to revoke the 1997 ozone standard for all purposes and to no longer reclassify areas under the old standard. Ten years ago, the 8-hour average was 98 parts per billion (ppb); the preliminary value for 2010-2014 is 81 ppb. Since the Area is currently in attainment for the 1997 standard, this final action also establishes anti-backsliding requirements in the State clean-air plan.
3. 0828 - On August 28, EPA will tour the Sunland Park Wastewater System. NADBANK and the Camino Real Regional Utility Authority signed an \$8M grant agreement in June for the construction of a WWTP. The State of NM has also put \$3.7M towards the construction costs. This facility will help put water back in the river after processing wastewater in an environmentally safe way.
4. 0830 - On August 30, EPA will complete a Five Year Review for the Sol Lynn Superfund Site in Houston, TX.
5. 0831 - From August 31-September 2, Region 6 Administrator Ron Curry is scheduled to participate in the Environmental Council of States Meeting. RA Curry has been asked to speak with Region 8 Administrator Shaun McGrath on the topic of unconventional oil and gas. Closed Press, Newport, RI.
6. 0914 - On September 14, Region 6 Administrator Ron Curry and Little Rock Mayor Mark Stodola will speak at the ribbon cutting ceremony of the Little Rock Main Street Creative Corridor Project. Open Press, Little Rock, AR.
7. 0921 - On September 21, Region 6 Administrator Ron Curry will attend the Border 2020 National Coordinators Meeting hosted by EPA and the Mexican Environmental and Natural Resources Ministry. Closed Press, El Paso, TX.
8. 0924 - On September 24 – 25, Region 6 Administrator Ron Curry will discuss air quality and climate change at the Children's Environmental Health Symposium. Closed Press, El Paso, TX.
9. 0929 - On Sept. 29, EPA will finalize the designation for the Los Alamos Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4). Closed Press, Los Alamos, NM.